

Washington, DC – Today, U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) made the following statement after President Obama signed a disaster declaration granting FEMA public assistance to help Milwaukee County recover from recent flooding and as FEMA still considers the state's application for individual assistance:

"I am so glad that communities will get Federal help to clean up from these storms and fix roads and bridges and schools, and I thank the President for acting so quickly.

"Over the course of a couple hours – houses were ruined, precious life was taken and lives were devastated. And safety is a concern of many families who may be living without water heaters or don't know if their furnaces will work come winter.

"My office has talked with FEMA this afternoon and FEMA said they are still reviewing the state's application for individual assistance. I urge them to quickly approve this request because the toll from these storms is all too real and people need help."

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